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Town Meetings Scheduled to Discuss Creation of New School District

The interlocal committee of Alta, Cottonwood Heights, Midvale, Draper, Sandy and Salt Lake County along with the Education Transition Team appointed for the new east side school district will be holding town meetings in March.

The town meetings will be held at the following locations and will begin at 7 p.m.:

Hillcrest High School Auditorium – Wednesday, March 5
Willow Springs Elementary School Gymnasium – Thursday, March 6
Brighton High School Media Center – Wednesday, March 12
Jordan High School Auditorium – Thursday, March 13

The purpose of the meetings is to introduce the education transition team, discuss the process of creating a new school district, inform the public on ways to become more involved through the transition process and gather input from citizens which can be passed on to the future school board.

The Education Transition Team is chaired by Dr. John Bennion who has been the superintendent of four school districts, including the Salt Lake and Provo School Districts. Dr. Bennion will be assisted by Rickie McCandless and Dr. Sandra Petersen who also have extensive backgrounds in education administration.

Candidates interested in running for the east side or west side school board can file with the Salt Lake County Clerks' Office beginning on March 7 through March 17. No primary will be held with elections taking place on June 24. The new school board will take office on July 15, 2008.

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